

APPROVED MINUTES
Scarborough Local Health Committee
Monday, June 8th, 2009
6:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Scarborough Civic Centre – Committee Room 1

Present: Brian Hyndman (Chair), Marisa Charles, Dr. Abdul Fattah, Linda Napier, Heidi Sin

Toronto Public Health Staff

Jann Houston, Bessie Shaw, Jean Liburd (Minutes)

Regrets: Haweiya Egeh, Colin Hughes, Khaliq Jabbar, Dhinesh Sivananthan,
Saleem Haniff, Vaij Chari, Lucy Bonnano

1.0 Agenda Approval

The Agenda was reviewed and approved.

2.0 Approval of Minutes – May 11, 2009

Since Quorum was not met, the Minutes of May 11th, 2009 were not approved.

3.0 Business Arising

3.1 Approval of Minutes of February 2nd and April 14th, 2009

The Minutes of February 2nd and April 14th, 2009 were approved electronically and has been submitted to the Board of Health.

3.2 Public Engagement Strategies – Media, Brochure and Community

Marisa presented the final prototype of the LHC brochure; however, Brian suggested some changes to the language to incorporate all Local Health Committees. It was agreed that the approved brochure would be used this year. Copies are to be made available for distribution by LHC members.

Action: Bessie to get input on the plain language to be used on the brochure from the other Local Health Committees.

3.3 Oral Healthcare for Uninsured Adults letter

Bessie presented the final copy of the letter to Premiere McGuinty for signature. The letters were signed by Brian Hyndman (*Acting Chair*) on behalf of Vaij Chari (*SLHC Chair*). Letters will be mailed tomorrow June 9th, '09.

3.4 Public Health Champion Award nomination

Brian reminded LHC members of the Toronto Public Health Champion Award call for nomination and the nomination deadline of June 26th, 2009 for submissions.

4.0 **Board of Health**

Jann provided an update on Board of Health. The following reports will be presented to the Board of Health: Ministry of Health Promotion Funding Reductions to Smoke-Free Ontario Public Health Unit Programs, A Five Year Plan for Strengthening Student Nutrition Programs in Toronto, Toronto Food Policy Council 2008 Annual Report: Thinking Globally, Eating Locally, Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Update, 2009 AIDS Prevention Community Investment Program Allocation Recommendations, Toronto Public Health Capital Budget Variance Report for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2009. Discussion followed.

5.0 **New Business**

5.1 Strategic Planning

Jann provided a brief overview on the Strategic Planning package handed out to LHC members. It was suggested that members read the information in the package over the summer and come prepared for discussion in September.

5.2 Meeting Attendance

Brian suggested the policy on attendance be reviewed. The following suggestions were put forward to increase attendance.

- Change the start time of the meeting from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.
- Bessie suggested initiating a 'buddy system' whereby members will call 2 or 3 others to remind them of upcoming meetings.
- Chair to send a general email to all reminding them of their commitment to the Committee.

6.0 **Next Meeting**

Date: Tuesday, September 15th, 2009, Committee Room #2, 6:00 p.m.